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DUO INDICTED AFTER BEING FOUND WITH STOLEN CREDIT CARDS

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned a 24-count indictment against 25-year old Tommy L. Edwards and 26-year-old Kiara M. Mitchell.

“A search of their vehicle turned up dozens of fraudulent credit cards,” said Delaware County Prosecutor O’Brien. “Also found were several gift cards from various local retailers.”

Edwards, of Columbus is charged with six counts of receiving stolen property – all fifth-degree felonies. Mitchell, of Canal Winchester, is charged with 16 counts of receiving stolen property – also all fifth-degree felonies. Both are additionally charged with two counts of misuse of credit cards – both first-degree misdemeanors.

Arraignment dates are not yet set.


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FORMER SHAWNEE HILLS POLICE CHIEF SENTENCED FOR THEFT IN OFFICE

Sean LeFever was sentenced to one year community control.

Sean LeFever entered an alford plea in June for one count of theft in office, a fifth-degree felony.

An alford plea is a plea where the defendant is not admitting to a criminal act, but does admit that the evidence could likely result in a judge or jury entering a finding of guilt.

LeFever, 43, was indicted in December 2015 after the Delaware County Sheriff's Office received a report in July that he'd received improper compensation.

In addition to community control, LeFever must complete 40 hours of community service, pay a \$1,000 fine, and pay restitution in the amount of \$3,143.94 to the Village of Shawnee Hills.



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LANCASTER MAN SENTENCED FOR SEXUAL MISCONDUCT WITH A MINOR

Brent Plummer pleaded guilty to six counts of unlawful sexual conduct with a minor in June.

He was sentenced today to 48 months in prison.

The 27-year-old defendant met the victim online.

Following his time in prison, Plummer will serve five years post release control. He will also be made to register as a tier II sex offender.





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COLUMBUS MEN INDICTED FOR BURGLARY

A Delaware County Grand Jury has returned a four-count indictment against two Columbus men after several residents reported missing items.

“In multiple instances, residents answered the door to an unknown person who was looking for someone named Matt,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “As the conversation continued with the homeowner explaining that no person by that name lived there, another unknown person was allegedly taking items out of open garages.”

Items listed as missing include lawn equipment such as hedge trimmers and weed eaters. A power washer was also listed as missing.

“Be aware of anyone you do not know at your door,” O’Brien said. “Keep your screen door locked if you are opening the main door. Keep your garage door closed, and if you notice any suspicious vehicles or persons in your neighborhood, talk to your neighbors and alert authorities.”

Christopher Linton, 34, and Richard Heskett, 40, are each charged with two counts of burglary – second-degree felonies, and two counts of theft – both first-degree misdemeanors.

Arraignment dates are not yet set.

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COLUMBUS WOMAN PLEADS GUILTY TO STEALING FROM ELDERLY



Susan Gwynne, 55, was indicted in June on 101 counts. Today she entered a guilty plea to 46 counts, one for each victim included in the indictment.

Charges came after a January 2016 call to authorities reporting personal items were missing from an elderly resident at the Inn at Olentangy Trail.

“After the initial call, the Delaware County Sheriff’s Office released a picture of the suspect which had been captured on surveillance video at the assisted living facility,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “Further investigation resulted in a

search warrant being issued for Susan Gwynne’s residence and the seizure of more than 3,000 items, mostly jewelry.”

Other items reported missing include cash, credit cards, watches, social security cards, dog tags etc.

Gwynne pleaded guilty to 17 counts of burglary – all second-degree felonies, four counts of theft – third-degree felonies, an additional 10 counts of theft – fourth-degree felonies, and 15 counts of receiving stolen property – first-degree misdemeanors. She also waived her right to appeal.

Gwynne’s victims were residents of senior living facilities in both Delaware and Franklin Counties.

Senior facilities affected include The Inn at Olentangy Trail, Abbington of Powell, Forum at Knightsbridge, Friendship Village of Dublin, Brookdale Trillium Crossing, National Church Residences, Sunrise of Dublin, Village at Westerville, Friendship Village of Columbus, Danbury at Parkside, Danbury of Columbus, Brookdale Senior Living, and Abbington of Arlington.

A sentencing date has been set for Monday, November 7, 2016 at 2:30 p.m.

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FORMER OWNER OF RITA'S ITALIAN ICE SENTENCED FO SEXUALLY ABUSING
YOUNG EMPLOYEES

Danny Bruce Kitsos, 53, was sentenced to six years in prison for sexually abusing three young female employees.

In August, Kitsos pleaded guilty to two counts of sexual battery – both third-degree felonies, and one count of unlawful sexual conduct with a minor – also a third-degree felony.

In addition to time in prison, Kitsos received five years post release control. He must pay a fine of \$10,000, and will be classified as a tier III sex offender.

Kitsos was indicted on March 25, 2016 after multiple reports to law enforcement that he sexually abused a number of young female employees.



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ASHLEY MAN FOUND GUILTY OF ATTEMPTED MURDER,
SENTENCED TO 11 YEARS IN PRISON

A jury found Christopher Sidders guilty of attempted murder yesterday. Today he was sentenced to 11 years in prison.

Charges originated after law enforcement and medics responded to a call that someone had been shot at 9 North Franklin Street in Ashley on March 22, 2016.

“On scene authorities found 39-year-old Jeffrey Shilt suffering trauma around the head and face area from a gunshot wound,” said Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien. “Mr. Shilt was air lifted to The Ohio State University Medical Center. He testified at this week’s trial.”



Sidders, 42, was found guilty of attempted murder – a first-degree felony with a firearm specification, two counts of felonious assault – both second-degree felonies also carrying firearm specifications, and two counts of having weapons while under disability – both third-degree felonies.

In addition to prison time, Sidders received five years of post release control.